

# MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® Outdoor Decking

## maintenance & cleaning

### maintenance Sikkens Cetol WF 771

The maintenance and cleaning of the MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® Decking is similar to other tropical wood, with the difference that water-based finish oils provide greater protection than traditional oils. Sikkens Cetol WF 771 water-based finish is recommended for optimal protection.

### maintenance of flat surface

Please be aware of the fact that on the flat surface, irregularities in the surface (e.g. cracks, splinters) may be more visible than on the grooved surface. With regular maintenance, using a waterbased decking finish, this will be reduced.



### cleaning

- Soak MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® with plenty of water and leave it for 10 min. If possible use a garden hose. Do not use high-pressure cleaners.
- Mix Woca Exterior Wood Cleaner with water in the ratio 1:2 and apply it. If the decking is extremely dirty, exterior cleaner may be used undiluted. Clean the decking with a silicon carbide broom or machine disk (see accessories). Scrub the soaked material lengthwise following the bamboo grain until the material appears clean. If the decking has been installed flat side up, first scrub at an angle of 45 degrees before scrubbing in the length direction. When using a machine disk this is not necessary. Repeat the cleaning if necessary. Clean the surface carefully with water.
- Leave MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® to dry for approx. 24 hours. The material must be completely dry before oil treatment can be done.



### application of finish

- Always make sure the decking is clean, dry, free of dust or dirt, and without any coating. Never work on a deck in direct sun.
- In areas where Sikkens Cetol finish remains after cleaning, we recommend sanding (100 grit). If the area to be sanded is too large, use a polishing machine with a silicon carbide disk or a 100 grit sanding paper disk.
- Stir the Sikkens Cetol before and during the application to avoid colour variation.
- Apply a thin layer of finish with a pad, a brush, or with an air gun (35 to 65 bar) on the working surface (decking with non slip grit only with a brush).
- Important: remove any excess product before it dries, to avoid any dripping or glossy areas. The finish must penetrate the material and not remain on the surface, so that it dries leaving a matt look.
- Pay attention to the ends of the joists and cut ends of the boards, which tend to absorb more water, and finish well to minimise water ingress. A sealer is available from MOSO.

### theoretical consumption

- Mix Woca Exterior Wood Cleaner with water in the ratio 1:2 and apply it. If the decking is extremely dirty, exterior cleaner may be used undiluted.
- Sikkens Cetol WF 771 Ipe - for the first treatment: 10 - 12 m<sup>2</sup> / litre (for 1 coat of finish).
- Sikkens Cetol WF 771 - for periodic maintenance: 14 - 15 m<sup>2</sup> / litre (for 1 coat of finish).

### Gradual greying of MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® over time:

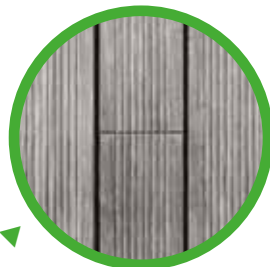
new, non-weathered decking



after 3 months of weathering

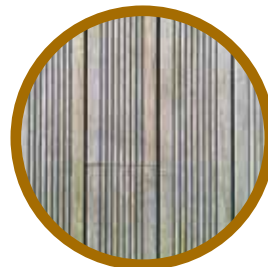


after 18 months of weathering



### Surface of MOSO® Bamboo X-treme® with different maintenance and cleaning scenarios:

weathered, dirty decking



weathered, cleaned decking



re-oiled decking



Check out the maintenance and cleaning movie at:  
[www.moso-bamboo.com/youtube/x-treme](http://www.moso-bamboo.com/youtube/x-treme)